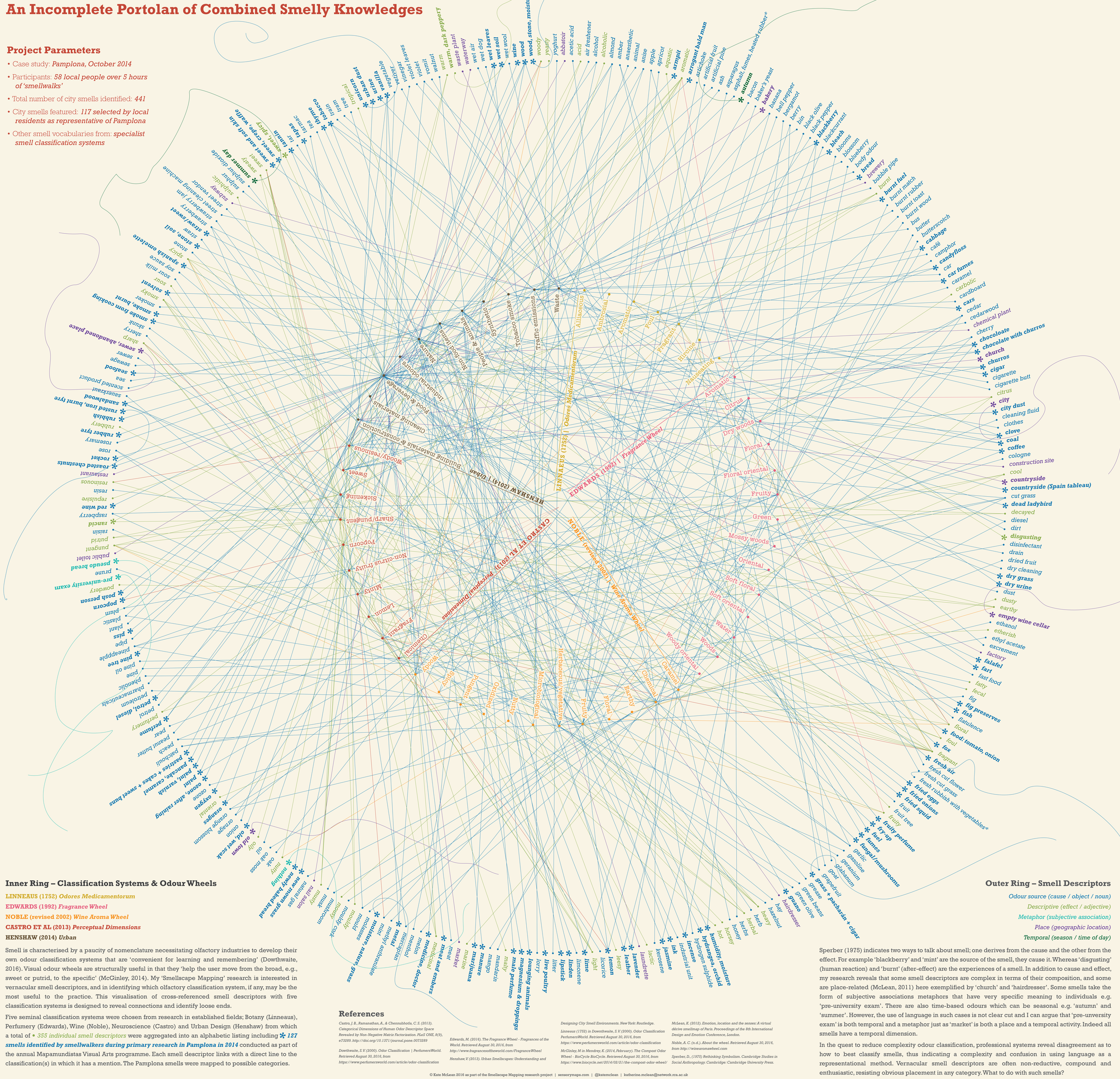
Olfactory Classifications

An Incomplete Portolan of Combined Smelly Knowledges

Project Parameters

- Case study: *Pamplona, October 2014*
- Participants: *58 local people over 5 hours of 'smellwalks'*
- Total number of city smells identified: *441*
- City smells featured: *117 selected by local residents as representative of Pamplona*
- Other smell vocabularies from: *specialist smell classification systems*


Waste
Traffic emissions
Tobacco smoke
Stimulant
People & animals
Non-food scents
Nature
Industrial odours
Food & beverages
Cleaning materials & construction
Building materials & construction – Urban
HENSHAW (2013) | Urban
LINNAEUS (1752) | Odores Medicamentorum
EDWARDS (1992) | FragranceWheel
NOBLE (revised 2002) | Wine Aroma Wheel
CASTRO ET AL. (2013) | Perceptual Dimensions
Woody/resinous
Sweet
Sickening
Sharp/pungent
Popcorn
Non-citrus fruity
Minty
Lemon
Fragrant
Chemical
Woody
Spicy
Pungent
Oxidised
Nutty
Herbaceous/vegetative
Medicinal
Phenolic
Earthy
Floral
Fruity
Caramel
Woody oriental
Water
Woods
Oriental
Soft floral
Soft oriental
Green
Mossy woods
Floral oriental
Fruity
Dry woods
Citrus
Aromatic
Nauseating
Rancid
Fragrant
Foul
Ambrosial
Aromatic
Alliaceous
Waste
autumn
bacon
baker's yeast
bakery
banana
bell pepper
bergamot
berry
bin
black olive
black pepper
blackberry
blackcurrant
bleach
blooms
blossom
blueberry
body odour
bread
brewery
bubble pipe
burnt
burnt fuel
burnt match
burnt rubber
burnt toast
burnt wood
bus
butter
butterscotch
cabbage
café
camphor
candyfloss
car
car fumes
caramel
carbolic
cardboard
cars
cedar
cedarwood
chemical plant
cherry
chocolate
chocolate with churros
church
churros
cigar
cigarette
cigarette butt
citrus
city
city dust
cleaning fluid
clothes
clove
coal
coffee
cologne
construction site
cool
countryside
countryside (Spain tableau)
cut grass
dead ladybird
decayed
diesel
dirt
disgusting
disinfectant
drain
dried fruit
dry cleaning
dry grass
dry urine
dust
dusty
earthy
empty wine cellar
ethanol
etherish
ethyl acetate
excrement
factory
falafel
fart
fast food
fatty
fecal
fig
fig preserves
fish
flatulence
floral
food: tomato, onion
foul
fox
fragrant
fresh air
fresh cut flower
fresh cut grass
fresh rubbish with vegetables*
fried eggs
fried onions
fried squid
fruit
fruit tree
fruity
fruity perfume
fry-up
fuel
fumes
fungal/mushrooms
garlic
gasoline
geranium
glabanum
goat
grapefruit
grass + pachatrán + cigar
grease
green beans
green olive
guano
hairdresser
hay
hazelnut
heavy
herb
herbal
herbs
honey
horsey
hot
humidity, moisture
hydrangea, orchid
hydrogen sulphide
incense
industrial unit
ink
jasmine
kerosene
laundrette
lactic
leesy
leather
lavender
lemon
licorice
light
lime
limonene
linden
lipstick
litter
lure, poultry
lorry
lounging animals
magnesium & droppings
male perfume
mandarin
manure
marijuana
marine
market
meat
meat and game
medicine, doctor
menthol
metal
mint
moisture, damp grass
molasses
mould
mouldy
mouldy cork
mushroom
musky
musk
nail salon
natural gas
new mown grass
newly baked bread
nutmeg
oak
oak moss
oil
old lown
old wet ash
onion
orange blossom
oranges
oriental
oxygen
ozone
ozone, after raining
paint
paint, varnish
pancake, caramel
pastries + cakes + sweet buns
patchouli
peach
peanut butter
pear
perfume
perfumery
petrol
petrol, diesel
petroleum
pharmaceuticals
phenolic
pine oil
pine tree
pineapple
pipe
piss
plant
plastic
plum
popcorn
posh person
powdery
pre-university exam
prune
pseudo bread
public toilet
putrid
pungent
raisin
rancid
raspberry
red wine
repulsive
resin
resinous
restaurant
roasted chestnuts
rocket
rose
rosemary
rubber tyre
rubbery
rubbish
rusted iron, burnt tyre
sandalwood
sauerkraut
scented product
sea
seafood
sewage
sewer
sewer, abandoned place
sharp
skunk
sherry
smoke from cooking
smoke, burnt
smoky
soft cheese
soft furnishings
soft, crepe, waffle
soft, sweet
soft, sweet, spicy
soil
soil, stone
soil, stone
soil, stone, moisture
soil, stone, moisture
soil, stone, moisture